

# AGENDA

## Resource and Development Committee Public Meeting

"Condition of the Land, Public Input, NN Agriculture Plan"

Thursday, July 12 2012; 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Firerock Casino, Churchrock, NM

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### 8:30 Introduction/Welcome

a.m. Delegate Ms. Katherine Benally, Chairperson, Resources & Development Committee, Navajo Nation Council  
Mr. Frederick H. White, Executive Director, Division of Natural Resources, Navajo Nation

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### 9:05 Bureau of Natural Resources/BIA

- a.m.
- Grazing Permit Historical Overview, Calvert Curley, BIA/BNR (5 min.)
  - Grazing Permit Inventory (non-use, probate, cancellation, administrative hold, etc.)
  - Summary Navajo Nation and Agency Grazing Permit (map, acre, sheep unit)
  - Permittee Responsibility, Problems
  - Authority Reference, Casey Francisco, BNR/BIA (5 min)
  - Range Inventory and Utilization Study Overview, Jerome Willie, BNR/BIA (20 min)
  - Western Navajo Agency Report (District 1, 2, 3, 5, 8), Casey Francisco, BNR/BIA (15 min)
  - Ft. Defiance Agency Report (District 7, 14, 18 17), Jerome Willie, BNR/BIA (15 min)
  - Central Navajo Agency (District 4, 10, 11)Genevieve Benally, BNR/BIA (15 min)
  - Shiprock Northern Navajo Agency (District 9, 12, 13), Herbert Jones, BNR, BIA (15 min)
  - Eastern Navajo Agency (District 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22), Effie Delmar, BNR/BIA (15 min)

### 10:55 Question and Answer – BNR/BIA

a.m. (1 hour, 5 minutes)

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### 12:00 Lunch on Your Own

noon

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### 1:00 Dr. Margaret Hiza Redsteer

#### p.m. U.S. Geological Survey (1 hour)

"Navajo Nation drought. Description of drought impacts, greater vulnerability from drought, remediation."  
Mr. Fred Johnson, EPA, Navajo Nation – Dine' Translator

#### Question And Answer

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### 2:00 Livestock Impoundment Guidelines, Fee Collected, Related Grazing Laws

p.m. Chief Leonard Butler, Resources Enforcement

#### Question And Answer

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### 2:45 BREAK

p.m.

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### 3:00 "Watershed Impact" (moved to 07.13.2012)

p.m. Fred Johnson, Water Quality, EPA

### 3:30 Conservation Partnership with Division of Natural Resources (moved to 07.13.2012; did not present)

p.m. Ray Dotson, Area Conservationist, NRCS/USDA

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### 4:15 Question and Answer (Received comments from public from 3:00 – 6:15 pm)

p.m.

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### 5:00 Adjourn

p.m.

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Friday, July 13, 2012; 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Firerock Casino, Churchrock, NM (Bingo Hall)

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**9:00 a.m.**      **Introduction**  
Welcome  
Added:  
**"Watershed Impact"**  
Fred Johnson, Water Quality, EPA

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### PUBLIC INPUT

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**9:30 a.m.**      Condition of the land – "What does your community look like?"

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**10:45 p.m.**      Condition of the land – What do you WANT your community to look like?"

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**Noon**            **Lunch on Your Own**

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**1:00 p.m.**      **Navajo Department of Water Resources**  
- Windmill and Earth Dam Inventory, Najam Tariq, Manager, Branch Director, TCOB  
- Maintenance Plan Including Cost, Najam Tariq, Manager, Branch Director, TCOB  
- Navajo Nation Drought Plan, Jason John, Principal Hydrologist, Branch Director

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**1:45 p.m.**      **Question and Answer**

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**2:45 p.m.**      **BREAK**

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**3:00 p.m.**      What grazing challenges are you experiencing in your community?

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**4:00 p.m.**      Solution – How can we improve the condition of the land? How can we take care of Mother Earth and Father Sky?

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**5:00 p.m.**      **Adjourn**

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Saturday, July 14, 2012; 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon, Firerock Casino, Churchrock, NM

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**8:30 a.m. Introduction**

Rex Lee Jim, Vice-President, Navajo Nation  
"Human Health Impact – CDC Information"

President Ben Shelly  
Navajo Nation

**"Welcome Remarks"**

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**9:10 a.m. District Grazing Committee Member Challenges in Enforcing Grazing Laws**

Mr. Wilbert Ben Lee, Chairperson, Executive Board, District Grazing Committee Members

**Question and Answer**

**Eastern Land Board Presentation, Mr. Herbert Enrico, (Added)**

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**10:10 a.m. PROPOSED Navajo Grazing Act**

Mr. Leo Watchman, Department Manager, Navajo Nation Department of Agriculture

- Historical Overview
- Full Time Employee – District Grazing Committee Members
- Grazing Fee
- Other Amendments

**10:30 a.m. Question and Answer**

**Received Public Comment until 12:00 noon**

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**11:00 a.m. Solution**

Mr. Leo Watchman, Department Manager, Navajo Nation Department of Agriculture

- Summarize 07.13.2012 Public Comments
- Plan to be Developed Based on Public Comments

**11:40 a.m. Question and Answer**

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**Noon Lunch on Your Own**

**Received Public Comments until 4:00 pm**

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